

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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I. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER (if several classification symbols apply, indicate all) ⁴

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Int.Cl.⁵ B25B5/02

II. FIELDS SEARCHED

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III. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT ⁹

Category ¹⁰	Citation of Document, ¹¹ with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages ¹²	Relevant to Claim No. ¹³
X	WO,A,8602873 (N.PAPPAS) 22 May 1986 see the whole document	1, 2, 7, 9, 10
Y	---	3
X	US,A,4555100 (J.R. DITTO) 26 November 1985 see column 3, line 36 - column 4, line 4; figures 1.10 269/166	1, 2, 7, 9,10
X	US,A,2510077 (R.K. COFFMAN) 6 June 1950 see column 1, line 29 - column 2, line 16; figures 1-4 269/166	1, 2, 10
Y	US,A,4834352 (W. THORNTORN) 30 May 1989 269/6 see column 4, line 12 - column 4, line 18; figures 1, 4, 5	3
A	FR,A,1423020 (R.A.ETIENNE) 22 November 1965 see page 1, right-hand column, line 23 - page 2, left-hand column, line 21; figure 1	1, 2,10

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IV. CERTIFICATION

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A	US,A,2487997 (R.R.WEST) 15 November 1949 see column 2, line 52 - column 3, line 49; figure 1 <i>269/3</i>	1, 2, 10
A	DE,A,3209984 (F.AUST) 19 May 1983 see figure 1 ---	5
A	US,A,4770400 (W.QUESTEL) 13 September 1988 see abstract; figures 1, 3 <i>269/104</i>	8
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